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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S SPEECH OF APRIL 8 ON LOS

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1. I CALLED ON GOM ATTORNEY GENERAL EDGAR MIZZI TODAY, GAVE HIM THE TEXT OF THE SECRETARY'S APRIL 8 SPEECH AND EMPHASIXED ALL THE TALKING POINTS CONTAINED IN REFTEL. (MIZZI ATTENDED THE FIRST PART OF THE NEW YORK LOS CONFERENCE AND HOPES TO RETURN IN THE NEXT WEEK IF HIS DUTIES HERE PERMIT.) HE WAS HAPPY TO RECEIVE THE MATERIAL BUT WANTS TO STUDY IT IN MORE DETAIL BEFORE COMMENTING.

2. IN ADDITION TO MIZZI, WHO IS THE MOST SENIOR GOM OFFICIAL DEALING WITH LOS MATTERS, FOREIGN SECRETARY MAURICE ABELA ALSO FOLLOWS THE SUBJECT CLOSELY. I WILL MAKE A SIMILAR PRESENTATION TO HIM NEXT WEEK WHEN HE RETURNS FROM A CURRENT VISIT TO PAKISTAN. SMITH

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